

## DR. BOWIE DISCUSSES 'PREPAREDNESS' PROGRAM

Opposes Signal Increase in Armament Because of European War.

SEES GRAVE PERIL TO U. S.

Extensive Additions to Army and Navy Would Tend to Foment Militarist Spirit, He Thinks—Refers to Security League Plans.

"No American citizen earnestly concerned as to the destiny of his country can be indifferent to the vital import of the movement so strongly launched of late for a great increase in our national armament," said Rev. W. Russell Bowie, D. D., last night in discussing the "preparedness" program now being urged upon the country. Dr. Bowie is opposed to any signal increase in the army and navy, but does not oppose plans to make the militia more efficient. "Not only the physical, but the moral life of this nation rests in the balance of this issue," he continued, "and depends upon its right decision."

### "PREPAREDNESS" WOULD INCREASE PERIL OF WAR

Dr. Bowie takes the position that to increase the national armament to a greater extent than would have been done had there been no war in Europe would tend to foment a spirit of aggression in America. It would put the United States on a plane with the European nations and lose to the nation an opportunity to aid in obtaining a constructive and lasting peace. He mentioned the address of General Nicholas and the letter of President Alderman read before the meeting of the Richmond branch of the National Security League Saturday night.

"The sentiment for what is called 'greater preparedness' is wide and impressive," said Dr. Bowie. "The meeting of the National Security League of Richmond last Saturday night gave expression to it. The letter of President Alderman read it again in his forcible and eloquent fashion. The essential question is this: by what method, and in the light of what belief, shall the safety and well-being of America for the coming years be guarded?"

"The first answer is the answer which the speakers at the Security League meeting gave. Concerning a part of their program, I shall have nothing to say. In the reorganization of the National Guard and in the desire to make our militia more efficient, there seems to me little danger, because there will be here no element calculated to stir the imagination of the people as to provoke warlike or aggressive tendencies. The crucial matter is the provision for a signal increase in the regular army and navy.

### SIMILAR PROGRAM BROUGHT ABOUT WAR IN EUROPE

"In regard to this, it is not fair to recognize in the first place that the same sort of preparedness which is urged upon us has been the thing which largely must be held accountable for the war in Europe. Beneath all immediate and superficial causes of the war, there was a deeper and more real thing. That real thing was this—a spirit among all the peoples of Europe of mutual jealousy, distrust and fear. What else could there have been but fear, when the military elements of each nation, regarding the other nations as potential enemies, sought to outstrip their neighbors in the launching of Dreadnoughts, the invention of new and more hideous artillery, and the enlistment of larger armies? The minds of the peoples of Europe were like the minds of men beside themselves with a mania of persecution. Each nation believed that the warlike preparations on the part of others constituted a greater preparation on their own part, and hence more and more in turn provoked a further mad race in armament on the part of the nation supposedly to be guarded against."

"All this is familiar and trite enough. Yet why are we so blind in seeing its application to America? Out of what spirit—let it be glossed over in what fine phrases it may—can our own demand for a larger armament be born save out of the spirit of fear? We are told that we must fear attack. We must arm ourselves to prevent it. What does this mean save that in the measure in which this policy is carried out efficiently all other nations must come to appear to our military leaders less and less as friends, and more and more as potential enemies. It would be their business to plan how the larger navy and larger army may be used to repel attacks of imaginary Germans or Japanese. They would make it their business to desecrate, and paint luridly in the public print, as some of them have been doing for months, infallible signs of the coming attack on America which they have got to assume to make their own demands for a larger armament sensible. More and more the steady balance of the American spirit would be disturbed by such suspicious jealousies and imagined causes for fear and hate as would foment the very wars which the greater armaments were supposed to prevent."

### WHAT DOES 'ADEQUATE' PREPAREDNESS REALLY MEAN

"In the second place, let us examine for a little a favorite phrase of the advocates of greater preparedness. In General Nicholas's speech he made a plea for 'a sane and adequate preparedness,' and the first and fourth points in his plea were these: 'an adequate standing army; an adequate navy. President Alderman, in his letter, used this same much-favored word. What does it mean? An army and a navy adequate for what?"

"Adequate to defend our country against her enemies, is the answer. But what enemies? Enemies which we have now? Which are they? Or is it said that the reference is to enemies which we may have? Then which are they? Shall it be said that an army and a navy to be adequate must be sufficient to defend this country from any and all conceivable enemies? We shall find men enough among the more hysterical element of our military leaders who will always be ready enough to conceive enemies for us. Does an adequate army and navy, therefore, mean that we must have enough men and enough ships to defend America against any and all armed forces of the earth? If not, what, in plain terms, does it mean?"

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## Indian Prince With British Forces



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In more ways than one have the colonies of Great Britain shown their loyalty to the "Motherland." The Canadians have shown their qualities in more places than at Ypres, and the Australians are showing their worth. Early in the war, when the Indian troops are doing more than their share, Sir Pratap Singh (a new photograph of whom is shown here), a seventy-year-old veteran Indian prince, who had seen active service in the past, organized and equipped at his own expense almost an army corps of his subjects and offered both himself and his men to His Majesty, King George. The moral effect of this action and the acceptance of the volunteers by the King of England has tended to cement the feeling of loyalty existing between the Indian colonies and England. Sir Pratap Singh has distinguished himself with his command with the British forces in France.

vague phrases in which it is spoken of, in practice it means this: a demand for larger forces than we had yesterday—a demand to-morrow for larger ones than we have to-day. Once let America sanction the belief that she, too, like the peoples of Europe, must find her safety in her bristling guns, then where, save in exhaustion, is the end to this madness?"

### SEES HIGHER PLACE FOR THE UNITED STATES

"Let us turn to the other side of the matter. Is it not possible for America to find in this present time a higher choice than this more frightened imitation of that panic-stricken spirit which has plumed Europe into her abyss of blood and tears? What are the nations to gain out of this war? One of two possible things: either a world committed still further to the frightful obsession that all peoples must keep themselves ready to fly at each other's throats, or else a world so chastened and purified by the bitter travail of these days that it shall come back to sanity again. If America commits herself to the former theory, if she adopts that national attitude which believes this war shall enhance fear and hate more deeply in the world, if she by her example shows to the nations of Europe that she believes in the sovereign power of brutal forces, will she not make it impossible for the ideal counsel to triumph in Europe at this war's end? Will she not, by her example, strengthen all the reactionary elements of militarism there? On the other hand, does she not stand to-day where she may, if she will, guide the world out of the darkness of its folly and agony into the light of a better day? If she, with steady faith, keeps calm amid the clamor, if she dares follow the hazard of the high belief that after this war the world will be ready to be led forward by a nation which has had the courage of its convictions out of armed insanity into a constructive peace, may she not achieve a glorious service, the like of which God has given to no other people to perform?"

"What specifically, therefore, I plead for is that America to-day shall resolutely refuse to enlarge her army or her navy further than these would have been enlarged had this war never taken place. Specifically, again, it is that the ideals of the American spirit would be disturbed by such suspicious jealousies and imagined causes for fear and hate as would foment the very wars which the greater armaments were supposed to prevent."

### DON'T BELIEVE IN 'PEACE AT ANY PRICE' THEORY

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A bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin should be in every home. A

## YORKTOWN CELEBRATES DEFEAT OF CORNWALLIS

One Hundred and Thirty-Fourth Anniversary Fittingly Observed Under Bright Skies.

ADDRESSES BY NOTED MEN

Dr. Henry Louis Smith, President of Washington and Lee University, University of Virginia, F. T. McFaden, of Richmond, as Head of Virginia Presbyterians.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NEWPORT NEWS, VA., October 19.—A bright autumn sun, thousands of sight-seers, warships, marines, soldiers and a spirit of patriotism and veneration for great deeds of great men all blended to-day at Yorktown to make the 144th anniversary of the surrender of Lord Cornwallis and the lifting forever of the yoke of English sovereignty a marked and lasting success.

Dr. Henry Louis Smith, president of Washington and Lee University, Dr. T. H. McConnell, Billy Sunday's former pastor, John Roach Straton, of Norfolk, and John Saunders, of Uppanah, were the speakers of the day.

Following a parade of soldiers and marines, headed by bands from the National Soldiers' Home and Fort Monroe, the cruiser Baltimore thundered forth a salute of five guns. The assembled thousands stood with bared heads, and at the conclusion of the salute burst into a great cheer.

### HISTORIC LITTLE TOWN IS GAILY BEDECKED

The auxiliary tug Mohawk and Renay lay at anchor in York River, having brought a company of marines from the Navy-Yard at Norfolk and a company of coast artillery from Fortress Monroe. All were gaily bedecked with flags as were the streets and buildings of the historic little town.

Dr. H. L. Smith made a brief address dwelling on the significance of the celebration. He requested his audience never to forget the honorable debt they owe their ancestors—men who fought, bled and died that their children, their children's children and their great-grandchildren, in fact, the whole of the American race, might realize the dream of the land of the free and the home of the brave.

The usually quiet little village seemed to awake to the occasion. Old men, many of whom had not left their homes for months, ventured forth and told the story of the great victory as it had been told them years ago by their parents, who in turn were told by their parents, and so on back to the eyewitnesses of the surrender of the English war lord.

### MANY TOURISTS JOIN IN BIG CELEBRATION

Richmond, Norfolk, Newport News, Hampton, Old Point and many of the larger cities on the Atlantic Coast were represented by delegations in the throng, as well as a number of tourists, who crowded the quiet little town to see the celebration. Long lines of automobiles were parked on the outskirts of the city; the river was dotted with sail and power craft, and the porches and upper windows of the old Colonial houses were thronged with persons desiring vantage points from which to witness the parade.

So dense was the crowd that surrounded the speakers' stand that it was almost impossible to get near enough to hear what was being said. The celebration to-day was one of the most successful and had the largest attendance of any in years.

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## ELECT REV. J. R. GRAHAM AS SYNOD'S MODERATOR

Missionary to China Succeeds Rev. F. T. McFaden, of Richmond, as Head of Virginia Presbyterians.

MEET AT CHARLESTOWN, W. VA.

Three of Four Ministers Licensed by Winchester Presbytery Twenty-Six Years Ago Take Part in Devotional Services and Occupy Pulpit.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] CHARLESTOWN, W. VA., October 19.—Promptly at 8 o'clock this evening in the Presbyterian Church in the Synod of the Presbyterian Church in the United States convened in its one hundred and twenty-sixth annual session. The sermon of the retiring moderator, Rev. Frank T. McFaden, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Richmond, constituted the opening feature of the synod. Dr. McFaden used as the text of his sermon a part of the eighth verse of the first chapter of the Acts: "And ye shall be witnesses unto Me."

Twenty-six years ago, at a meeting of the Presbytery of Winchester, four young men were licensed to preach. That meeting of the presbytery was held in the church in which the synod is now in session. Dr. McFaden was one of the members licensed to preach at that time, and with him in the pulpit this evening and taking part in the devotional service preceding the sermon were two of the other ministers licensed at that time—Rev. J. R. Graham, of China, and Rev. C. R. Strickling, of Petersburg—these three still being members of the Synod of Virginia.

Rev. A. C. Hopkins, Jr., son of Rev. A. C. Hopkins, for many years pastor of this church, was in the pulpit also and took part in the service.

### REV. J. R. GRAHAM IS ELECTED MODERATOR

Following the sermon the synod was consecrated with prayer, and the roll was called by Rev. James Power Smith, D. D., of Richmond, stated clerk of the synod.

The election of moderator for this session was the first business transacted. Rev. J. R. Graham, for twenty-six years a missionary to China, was elected moderator. Dr. McFaden welcomed him to the chair and presented

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to him the gavel. Rev. E. O. Mann and Rev. S. O. Cox were elected temporary clerks.

Among the prominent visitors present and who will address the synod are Rev. Robert W. Smith, foreign mission secretary of the general assembly; Rev. J. C. Morris, home mission secretary, and Rev. Henry H. Sweets, secretary of Christian education and ministerial relief.

An address of fraternal greeting from the Synod of West Virginia, which, until a year ago, was a part of the Synod of Virginia, will be delivered by Rev. M. B. Lambden. This synod includes all of Virginia and Maryland and a part of West Virginia.

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